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¶1. (S/NF) The Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) arranged a meeting with poloff on February 25 to pass an official response to our recent demarche (reftel) and diplomatic notes requesting cooperation on a flight of interest between North Korea, Syria, and Iran. The response noted that the outbound flight JS-621 from North Korea to Syria did not pass through Uzbek territory. However, on January 17 the Government of Uzbekistan granted permission for the February 14 return flight JS-622 from Teheran to North Korea to traverse Uzbek territory. The response stated that the IL-62 aircraft did not land at any Uzbek airports. MFA Americas Desk Chief Ismat Fayzullaev added that the flight traversed a "small, remote part of our airspace" away from major airport facilities.

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